FISCAL NOTE

SB 6 - HB 110

February 2, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a contractor engaged in proposed, actual construction or development in a flood plain of a dam to post a bond in cash or accepted sureties in an amount sufficient to cover the reasonable cost of enlargement, repair, or alterations to the dam plus the Commissioner of Environment and Conservation's costs in administering the bond. Provides it shall be unlawful for any contractor to begin construction or development prior to posting the bond.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$138,090 Recurring \$15,000 One-Time Increase State Revenues - Less than \$100,000

Estimate assumes:

- An increase in expenditures in the Department of Environment and Conservation for three positions and related expenses to make cost estimates for improvements of dams; inspections, enforcement and forfeiture proceedings against contractors.
- An increase in state revenues from money received from contractors for administering the bond; however, such increase is estimated to be less than \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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